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"I am sorry that you do not wear a flag every day and I can only ask you if you lose the physical emblem to be sure that you wear it in your heart; the heart of America shall interpret the heart of the world."—President Wilson.



NOTES AND COMMENTS

By beating Hi Gill for mayor, Seattle demonstrates that she is not all putrid.

The report comes from Europe that before the Huns exchange prisoners of war they inoculate them with tuberculosis germs. Great is Hohenzollern kultur. Buy Thrift Stamps if you would vanquish the Hun demons.

If some people the writer could mention would do more real work for the soldiers in France, they wouldn't have so much time to worry about somebody making the soldiers smoke the tobacco being sent them by well-meaning friends.

It now develops that none of the churches really wanted very much to federate. True, there are men and women in each of the Congregational, Christian and Methodist churches who favored the move, but each church has its objectors.

FOREST GROVE WILL DO HER SHARE

Results of the Smilage campaign, which put books of theater admission coupons on sale in nearly every town and city in the country, show the small towns and villages far ahead of the cities in over-selling their proportionate quotas of books.

Pilot Rock, Ore., was the first town in the country to send in a check. Laurens, Iowa, a town of 900 population, took in \$100 before the first Smilage book was received. Titouka, Iowa, with 200

population bought \$63 worth of books, the largest sale in proportion to population yet returned.

The coupons in Smilage books are exchanged by the soldiers for admission to entertainments in theaters built in the camps by the Commission on Training Camp Activities. Admission charges range from 10 cents to 25 cents, or from two to five Smilage coupons.

Men Lost on Tuscania Carried Insurance

Any American soldiers lost on the torpedoed transport were protected by United States Government insurance and Government compensation. Those who had not applied for insurance were covered by automatic insurance which is payable to a wife, child or widowed mother. The automatic insurance aggregates about \$4,300, netting \$25 a month for 240 months. Insurance that had been applied for is payable to a much larger class of beneficiaries and can go as high as \$10,000, netting \$57.50 a month for 240 months.

The compensation in case of death, given by the Government without charge and regardless of rank or pay, ranges from \$20 to \$75 a month, based on the number of dependents. Payments under the compensation feature of the military and naval insurance act in case of death are payable to a widow, children, or dependent widowed mother.

The automatic insurance ceased on February 12, but the compensation feature of the act is a separate provision. The scale of

compensation in case of death follows:

- (a) For a widow alone, \$25.
 - (b) For a widow and one child, \$35.
 - (c) For a widow and two children, \$47.50, with \$5 for each additional child up to two.
 - (d) If there be no widow, then for one child, \$20.
 - (e) For two children, \$30.
 - (f) For three children, \$40, with \$5 for each additional child up to two.
 - (g) For a widowed mother, \$20.
- The amount payable under this subdivision shall not be greater than a sum which when added to the total amount payable to the widow and children, does not exceed \$75.

Will Investigate Nuptial Ventures

District Attorney Tongue, acting for the U. S. government, has filed 37 protests against registrants who have married since the draft law was published, says the Hillsboro Argus, and their hearings as to conditions which led to their marriage, and whether or not there are any who married to evade the operations of the legislation for the army will soon be set.

The list protested is:

Edward J. Rasmussen, George Propp, Nels M. Ohrling, Elmer Stipes, Daniel Newsham, Ross Dustin, Henry C. Etienne, Fay Wilbur Shearer, Harry Wilson, Robt. R. Summers, Herbert C. Kyle, William Coon, Edward Sohlner, Wm. Earl Allen Peter Winther, George Spady, John C. Rogers, Earl A. Johnston, Amos Henderson, George A. Allison, Chas. H. Haynes, Alford G. Hohman, Ralph Reinemer, Lester H. Lindsay, Louis A. Hortmann, Henry Greener, George H. Jackson, Clarence A. Smith, Daniel Vandehy, Kennard I. Dixon, Virgil P. Hulse, Jas. K. Ensley, Louis P. Quinn, Alfred H. Oliver, Ralph V. Jackson, Jos. W. Fessler, Louis L. Arata.

As soon as the following newly wedded have their occupational appeals decided by the district board, and their cards are returned, they will most likely have their cases appealed on the same grounds and have a hearing:

John M. Donnelly, Carl Dick, Wm. Vandehy, Antone H. Rinck, George Schmidt, Samuel Moon, Reuben J. Kelly, John F. Meier, Merritt V. Jackson, Edw. Mizner, Oscar Gray, Fred Walters, Frank W. Connell, Theo. J. Kreiger, Franklin C. Heuer, Jno. A. Lorusung, Geo. A. Miller, Leo F. Edwards, Geo. A. Levick, Ernest C. Wohlschlegel, Bernard Kemper, Jas. K. Ruppel, Henry Gustav Haug, Rudolph W. Berg, Raleigh R. Aplin.

An Interesting Publication

Through the courtesy of Chas. D. Staley the editor of the Express has had the pleasure of perusing a copy of "The Spiker," a 14-page magazine published by the men of the Eighteenth Engineers, Railway, "Somewhere in France." The Spiker is brim full of interesting stories of camp life, sporting events, cartoons and poetry, but (because of the censor) no real war news. Here is a verse which gives one an inkling of the feelings of at least one "Yank":

MEMORIES

Just for a day of our yesterdays!
Days that can come no more;
Days that we squandered carelessly
Out of our seeming store.
Now I would give all the years to come,
Though the years to come are few,
Just for a day of our yesterdays,
Just for a day with you.

—R. W. K.

Here is an item from the Spiker for the boys who expect to go over later: "Read Mark Twain's famous statistics on the mortality rate in bed. Clemens proves that more people die in bed than any other place—even in the trenches of Flanders."

"Camouflage" is a French word and means to disguise or cover up. We don't need the word in our business, as our furniture, kitchen cabinets and rugs are so perfect they will stand the light of day and the closest inspection. Clard E. Smith.

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In Keeping With the Big Thought of the Day

The daily press reflects a sentiment throughout the nation which clearly indicates a new condition.

Men are wanted everywhere. The work of this war is being carried on largely by those who never before have been in public office or in public work. Men who have been too busy, too engrossed with their own tasks, are leaving their work to others and giving their time and ability to the cause which is ours, yours, everybody's.

It is a time when politics in the ordinary sense must not be considered. It calls for all the ability that can be mustered.

Oregon to be a successful part in this unit plan for the defense of Democracy, must likewise place the thought of the times before everything.

In another part of this paper appears the announcement of L. J. Simpson as a candidate for the nomination for Governor on the Republican ticket. Mr. Simpson was urged to become a candidate by his many friends in every part of the state, because of his business record, his understanding and knowledge of Oregon's resources, industries and needs; because of his public-spiritedness, which of recent years has led him to tasks which have been more important to him than his own affairs.

L. J. Simpson is clearly the man who can give Oregon the administration necessary to this plan of National Efficiency.

His campaign will be directed straight to you as voters, as individuals who do your own thinking.

We are firmly convinced that you will not allow politics to influence your decision, and that you will vote for the man who is best fit to help the people of Oregon, develop the state's vast resources, and to prepare for, and participate in, the great reconstruction that is to follow.

We believe you will weigh issues more closely than ever before, and that L. J. Simpson will be your choice.



What You Can Do

First—Talk over his candidacy with your friends.

Second—If you believe that L. J. Simpson is worthy of your support, write a letter to this committee.

Suggest how his cause may be advanced. We, in turn, will tell you how you can help.

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United States Deputy Marshal E. T. Mass came to Hillsboro Tuesday and took to Portland J. E. Jacobson, the Timber station agent charged with maintaining an illegal wireless receiving outfit, and Conrad Ludwig of the Sherwood district, charged with having explosives illegally in his possession. Ludwig was arrested Monday and brought to Hillsboro, but word was sent to Jacobson

Tuesday that he was wanted and he came voluntarily to Hillsboro to meet the marshal.—Hillsboro Independent.

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